



## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### INFORMATION SERVICE

#### FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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#### NO CHANGE IN IMPORT REGULATIONS ON WILD DUCKS TAKEN IN CANADA

American hunters who go to Canada for their waterfowl shooting will be governed by the same import regulations that were established by the Department of the Interior last year.

Under these regulations, only 20 ducks and 10 geese may be imported from the Provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan during the calendar year. From all other Provinces of Canada, 12 ducks and 10 geese may be imported during any calendar week. The calendar week begins on Sunday.

Importations from Mexico or any other foreign country except Canada are limited to 10 ducks and 5 geese per calendar week.

Under Section 6.7 (a) as amended last year, the numbers of migratory game birds permitted to be entered and transported by one person, either in a single shipment or by multiple shipments, are limited as follows:

<u>From</u>	<u>Not to exceed</u>
Province of Alberta, Canada	20 ducks and 10 geese per season
Province of British Columbia, Canada	do.
Province of Manitoba, Canada	do.
Province of Saskatchewan, Canada	do.
Any other Province or Territory of Canada	12 ducks and 10 geese per calendar week
Mexico or any other foreign country	(beginning Sunday)
(except Canada) or subdivision thereof	10 ducks and 5 geese per calendar week
Any foreign country or subdivision thereof:	
Band-tailed pigeon	6 per calendar week
Brant	6 do.
Coots	25 do.
Doves; mourning or white-winged	25, singly or in the aggregate of both kinds, per calendar week

From - Continued

Not to exceed - Continued

Rails (except sora) and gallinules	30, singly or in the aggregate of both kinds, per calendar week
Sora	25 per calendar week
Wilson's snipe	8 do.
Woodcock	8 do.

Other requirements which the American hunter must observe when bringing his birds into the United States remain the same as last year and are listed below:

Shipments from Canada must be accompanied by tags or permits if required by Provincial or Dominion law. Those transported from Mexico must be dressed, drawn, and have the head and feet removed. On waterfowl transported from Canada, the head and feet do not necessarily have to stay on the birds. Birds exported from Mexico require a Mexican export permit, or an endorsement on the license by a Mexican game official granting permission to export the birds, or exhibition of the hunting license on which the official seal of the issuing office has been impressed or endorsed.

A shipment made not later than five days after the close of the season in Canada, Mexico, or other foreign country may continue in transit for not over five additional days to permit delivery at destination.

The Federal regulations do not authorize importation or possession of such birds contrary to State laws.

Packages or containers must be marked with the name and address of the shipper and consignee with an accurate statement of the numbers and kinds of birds clearly and conspicuously shown on the outside.

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